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Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 43

Introduced by Senator DeSaulnier
(Coauthor: Senator Wolk)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Bonilla and Buchanan)

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 43—Relative to the Officer
Kenyon Youngstrom Memorial ~~Overcrossing~~ *Undercrossing*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 43, as amended, DeSaulnier. Officer Kenyon Youngstrom
Memorial ~~Overcrossing~~ *Undercrossing*.

This measure would designate a specified ~~overcrossing~~ *undercrossing*
on State Highway Route 680 in Contra Costa County as the Officer
Kenyon Youngstrom Memorial ~~Overcrossing~~ *Undercrossing*. The
measure would also request the Department of Transportation to
determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation
and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost,
to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, California Highway Patrol (CHP) Officer Kenyon
- 2 Marc Youngstrom was born October 8, 1974, in Pasadena,
- 3 California; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom graduated from Arlington
- 5 High School in Riverside in 1993, and attended California Baptist
- 6 University in Riverside, as well as Napa Valley College, in Napa;
- 7 and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom, from a young age, recognized
2 the importance of public service, and was known as a hard worker
3 who always gave back to his community; and

4 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom served as a member of the
5 United States Army Reserve for six years, achieving the rank of
6 an E-4 Specialist; and

7 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom entered the CHP Academy
8 in August 2005 and graduated in February 2006 (badge number
9 18063), and was initially assigned to the Contra Costa area; and

10 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom, after serving nearly three
11 years in the Contra Costa area, voluntarily transferred to the Golden
12 Gate Division as a member of the Field Support Unit, where he
13 served as a distinguished member of the Protective Services Detail,
14 responsible for providing protection to various dignitaries, heads
15 of state, legislators, and other VIPs visiting the San Francisco Bay
16 Area; and

17 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom transferred back to the Contra
18 Costa area in August 2012 where he spent the remainder of his
19 career; and

20 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom performed several duties over
21 the course of his career, and because of his exceptional skills as
22 an officer, he served as a mentor and recruiter for new officers to
23 the CHP, as well as a RADAR and LIDAR instructor; and

24 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom, while assisting a fellow
25 officer on September 4, 2012, with an enforcement stop on State
26 Highway Route 680 (Interstate 680), was critically shot by the
27 driver of the stopped vehicle, and passed away the following day
28 at the John Muir Medical Center in Walnut Creek; and

29 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom, upon his death, gave the gift
30 of life through organ and tissue donation, helping to save the lives
31 of four individuals; and

32 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom was a man of family and faith,
33 and was a member of the Community Bible Church of Vallejo in
34 Vallejo; and

35 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom is survived by his wife, Karen,
36 four children, Alexander, Madison, Andrew, and Kennedy, his
37 parents, Gaylord and Jill Youngstrom, four brothers, and a sister;
38 and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom, as a father, leaves behind a
2 legacy, instilled in his children, of a sense of respect and dignity;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Officer Youngstrom is admired for his
5 professionalism, dedication, honesty, loyalty, respect, and courage;
6 now, therefore, be it

7 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
8 *thereof concurring*, That the life, achievements, and distinguished
9 career of Officer Kenyon Marc Youngstrom, and his ultimate
10 sacrifice while performing honorable and faithful service to the
11 people of California as a CHP officer, are hereby recognized and
12 honored; and be it further

13 *Resolved*, That the State Highway Route 680 ~~overcrossing over~~
14 ~~undercrossing at~~ Livorna Road in Contra Costa County is hereby
15 designated as the Officer Kenyon Youngstrom Memorial
16 ~~Overcrossing Undercrossing~~; and be it further

17 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested
18 to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with the
19 signing requirements for the state highway system showing this
20 special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate
21 sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs; and be it
22 further

23 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
24 this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
25 author for appropriate distribution.